



## Maryland Alcohol and Tobacco Commission

### MARYLAND ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION MARCH MINUTES

DATE: March 18, 2021

TIME: 3:00 P.M.

PLACE: Maryland Alcohol and Tobacco Commission Headquarters  
(Meeting conducted via Microsoft Teams, recorded for replay)

PRESENT: Chair Leonard Foxwell  
Vice Chair Barbara Wahl  
Secretary Robert Poole  
Commissioner Elizabeth "Betty" Buck  
Commissioner Eric Morrissette

#### NON-VOTING

MEMBER: James Hock, Chief of Staff, Maryland State Police

OTHERS: Anthony Hatcher, Acting Executive Director, Alcohol and Tobacco Commission (ATC)  
Jeffrey Kelly, Director, Comptroller of Maryland, Field Enforcement Bureau (FEB)  
Murray Singerman, Assistant Attorney General, Comptroller of Maryland, Office of the Attorney General  
Jennifer Brezler, Office Administrator, Alcohol and Tobacco Commission

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Foxwell called the meeting of the Maryland Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to order at 3:01 p.m.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chair Foxwell moved to approve the February 18, 2021 meeting minutes. Commissioner Poole seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.



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### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Acting Executive Director Hatcher introduced non-voting member James Hock, Chief of Staff, Maryland State Police. The ATC has received permission to hire a contractual employee to assist the Commissioners. The Commissioners were asked to reach out to Acting Executive Director Hatcher regarding skills and qualifications they are looking for in a candidate.

Chair Foxwell announced his resignation.

### OVERVIEW OF MARYLAND TOBACCO LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Chair Foxwell introduced Acting Executive Director Hatcher, FEB Director Kelly, and Kathleen Hoke, Director of the Center for Tobacco Regulation, University of Maryland Carey School of law.

Acting Executive Director Hatcher gave a presentation on the distribution of tobacco products in Maryland.

Kathleen Hoke gave a presentation on the Food and Drug Administration regulation of tobacco products.

*Commissioner Morrissette left the meeting at 3:20 p.m.*

### 2021 MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY UPDATE

Acting Executive Director Hatcher addressed the following statewide bills that are actively moving.

- SB 883 – Creates a new section of law for Business Regulation, Title 16.9 for out of state sales of premium cigars and pipe tobacco.
- HB 12 – Delivery of product from an off-premise location.
- HB 185 – Passed the House and crossed over to the Senate. Prohibits the requirement of a customer purchasing one drink upon entering an establishment.
- HB 422 – Moved to the Senate. This a study to determine and evaluate minority participation in the alcoholic beverages industry.

### NEW BUSINESS

Chair Foxwell turned over to Murray Singerman. Robert's Rules of Orders conflicts with the Open Meetings Act. His suggestion is to discuss this and come up with suggestions on how to have a base on which to operate to have compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Add it as an agenda item for the next meeting and come up with specific suggestions. Motioned by Commissioner Wahl, seconded by Commissioner Buck. Motion passed.

Larry Hogan  
Governor



Anthony Hatcher  
Acting Executive Director

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### Rules of Organization of the ATC

This agenda item was not discussed during the meeting.

### Rules for Conducting Business of the ATC

This agenda item was not discussed during the meeting.

### DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next monthly Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 15, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

### ADJOURNMENT

Chair Foxwell adjourned the meeting at 4:15p.m.

I certify that the foregoing minutes represent the minutes of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission meeting on March 18, 2021.

  
Robert H. Poole, Secretary

4/13/2021  
Date

Link to video of meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r9ObgQvj95U>